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C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 1915

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, CASC, ET

SUBJ: TENNECO FOUR

REF: KHARTOUM 1862

1. GRAHAM AND BOGAN MET WITH ZEIN AND MAHAMOUD OF
ELF TWICE, ONCE AT 1800 HOURS 17 AUG. AND AGAIN AT
1700 HOURS 18 AUG. BOGAN EXPLAINED STATUS EFFORT TO
EFFECT RELEASE ELF PRISONERS FROM ETHIOPIAN JAILS
AND DIFFICULTY IN VIEW PRESENT COMPLICATIONS WITHIN IEG.

2. ZEIN MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE ON IEG SITUATION UP TO AND
INCLUDING EVENTS ON 16 AUG. AND STATED TENNECO EFFORT
IS GETTING TOO INVOLVED IN ETHIOPIAN POLITICAL MATTERS
WHICH ARE BEYOND TENNECO CONTROL.

3. ZEIN SUGGESTED NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE REROUTED
ALONG LINES THAT ELF AND TENNECO CAN CONTROL AND ASKED
FOR RECESS TO CONSULT WITH ELF SUPERIORS WHO WERE PRESENT
IN KHARTOUM TO PREPARED OUTLINE OF ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS.

4. ZEIN AND MAHAMOUD RETURNED AT 1700 HRS. 18 AUG.

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AND, AFTER REVIEW OF ENTIRE SITUATION, AGREED TO

CONSIDER RELEASE TENNECO FOUR BASED ON PAST TENNECO
EFFORTS TO OBTAIN RELEASE IEG PRISONERS AND IN
RETURN FOR FAVORABLE PRESS TREATMENT BY ELF.

5. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED 1700 HRS. 21 AUG. WHEN
ZEIN EXPECTS TO HAVE DECISION ON RELEASE PER PARA 4.
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